

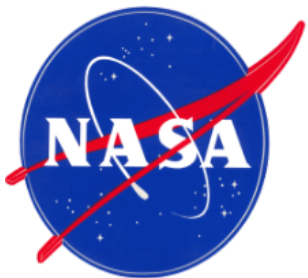


Decision and Information System for the Coastal waters of Oman (DISCO)

An integrative tool for managing coastal resources under changing climate

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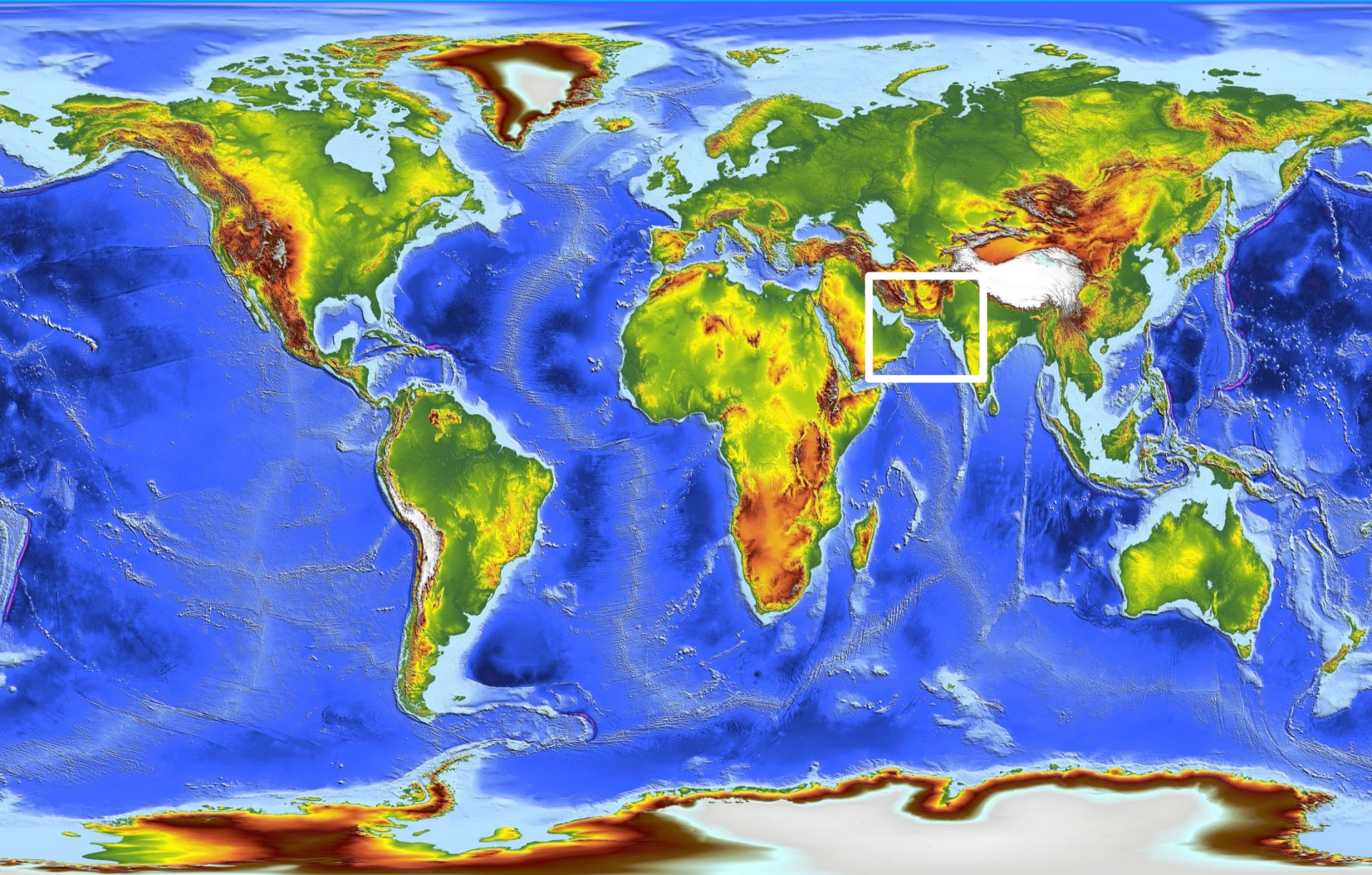
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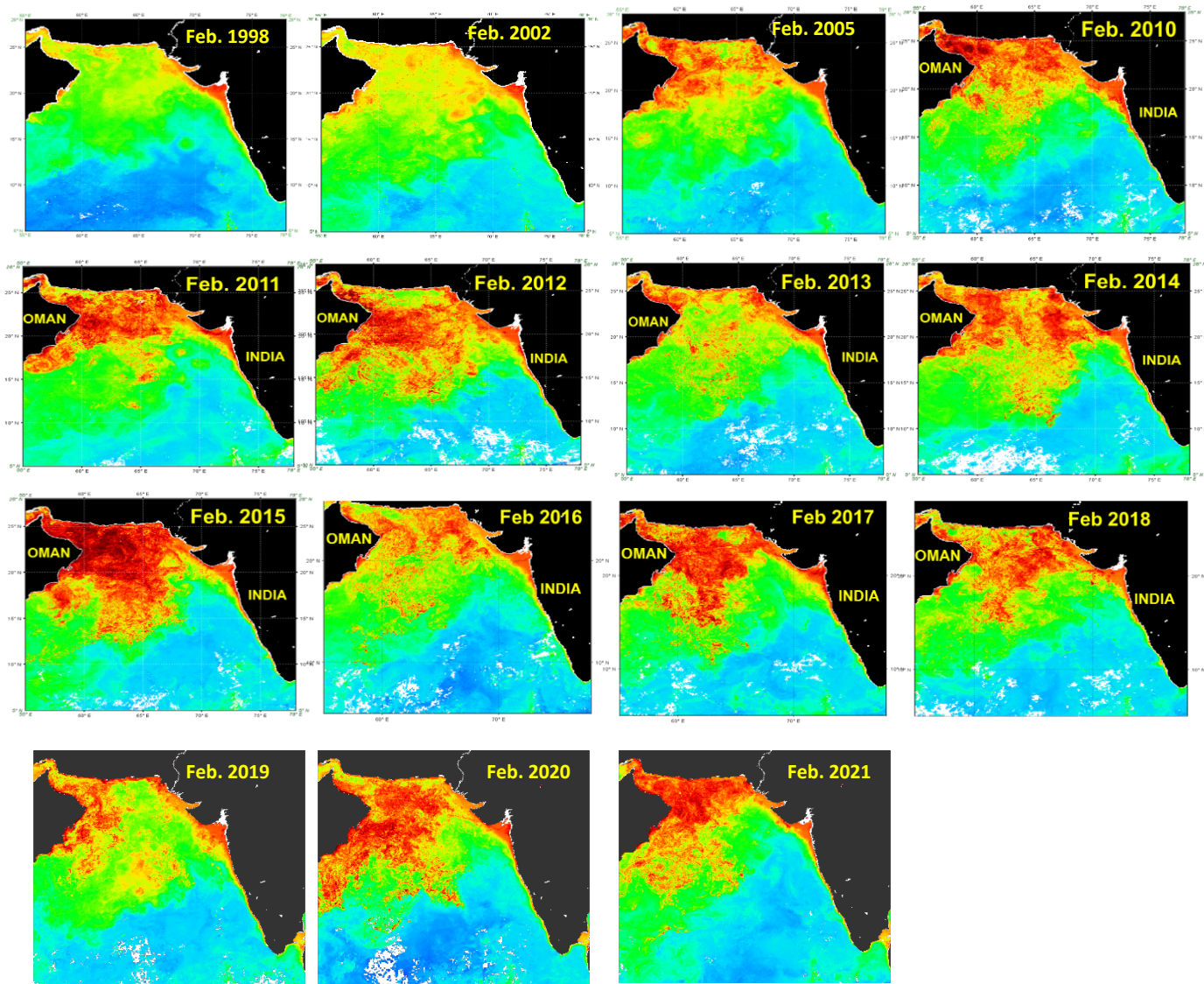
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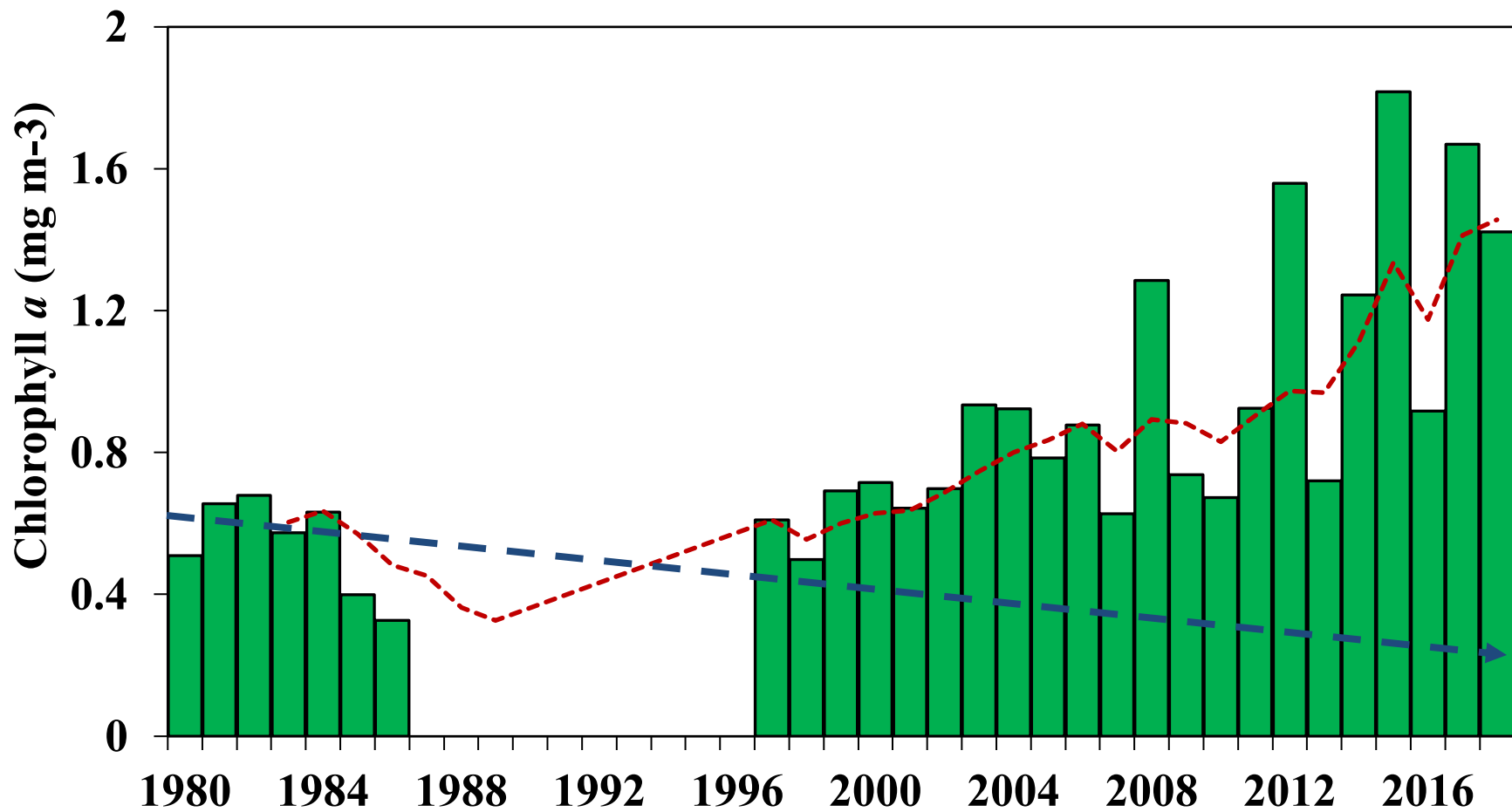


THE ARABIAN SEA IN THE CONTEXT OF THE WORLD'S OCEANS



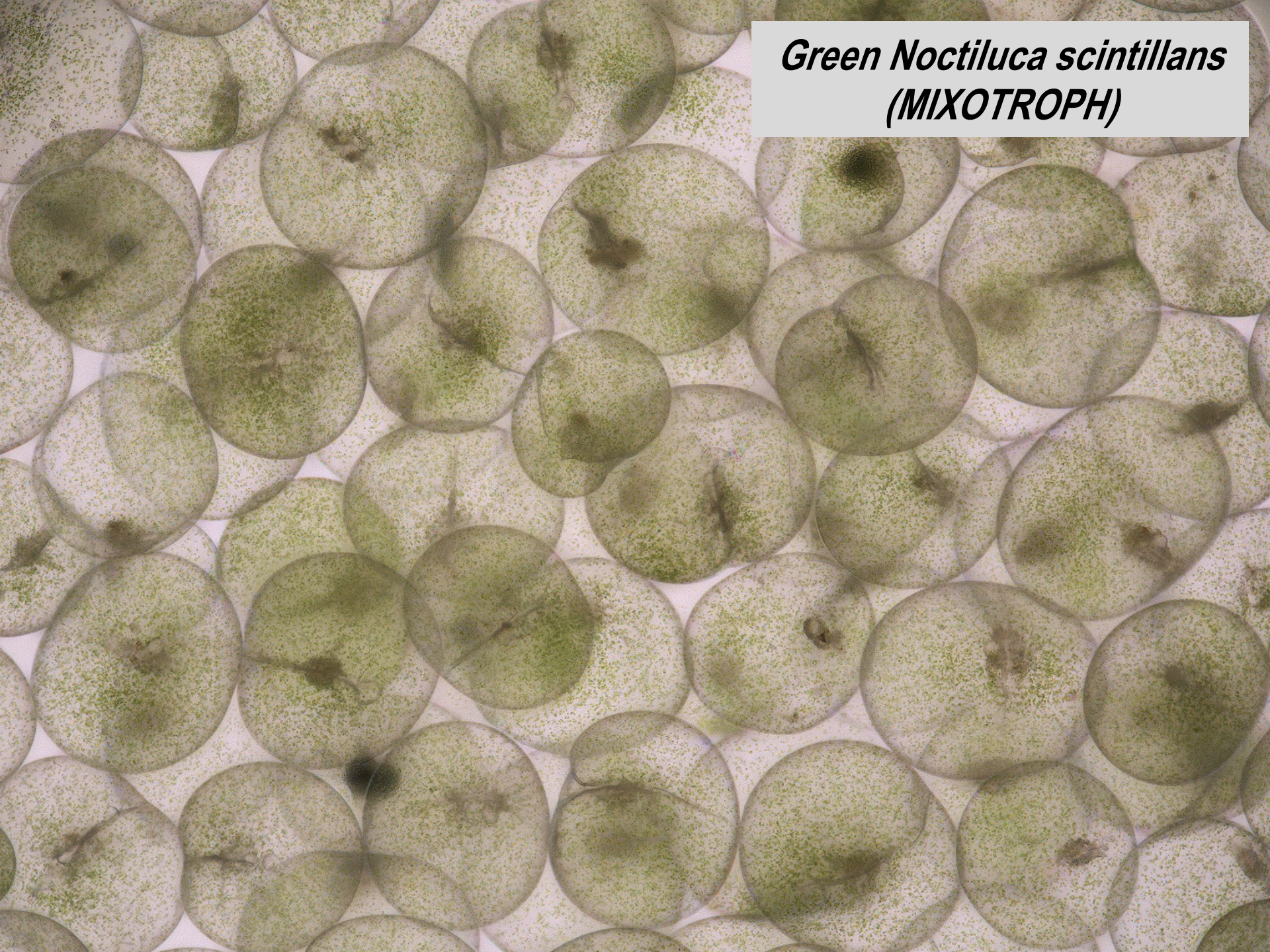


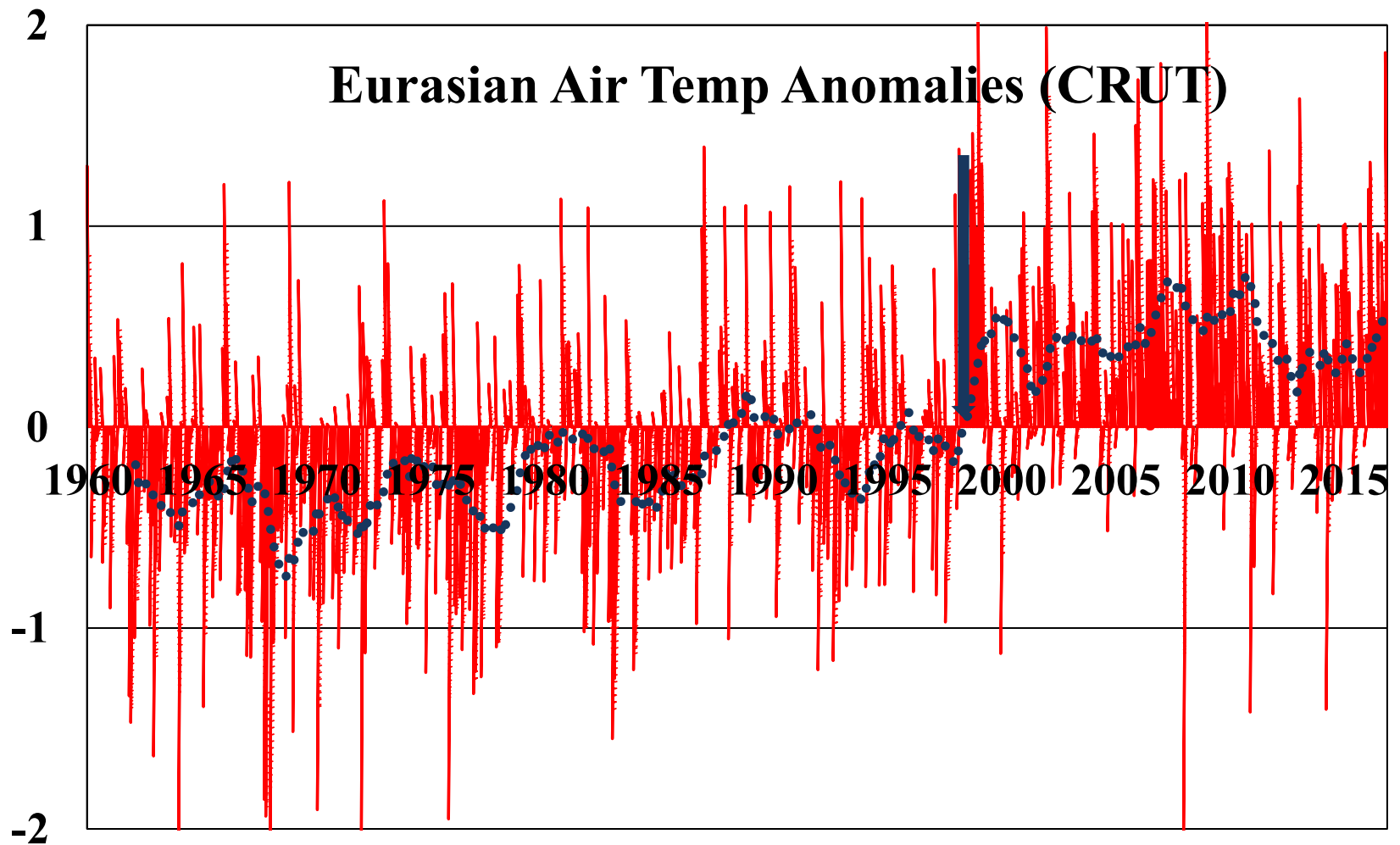
NASA's SeaWiFS and MODIS-Aqua monthly composite images of Chl *a* in the Arabian Sea showing the spatial expanse of *Noctiluca* blooms



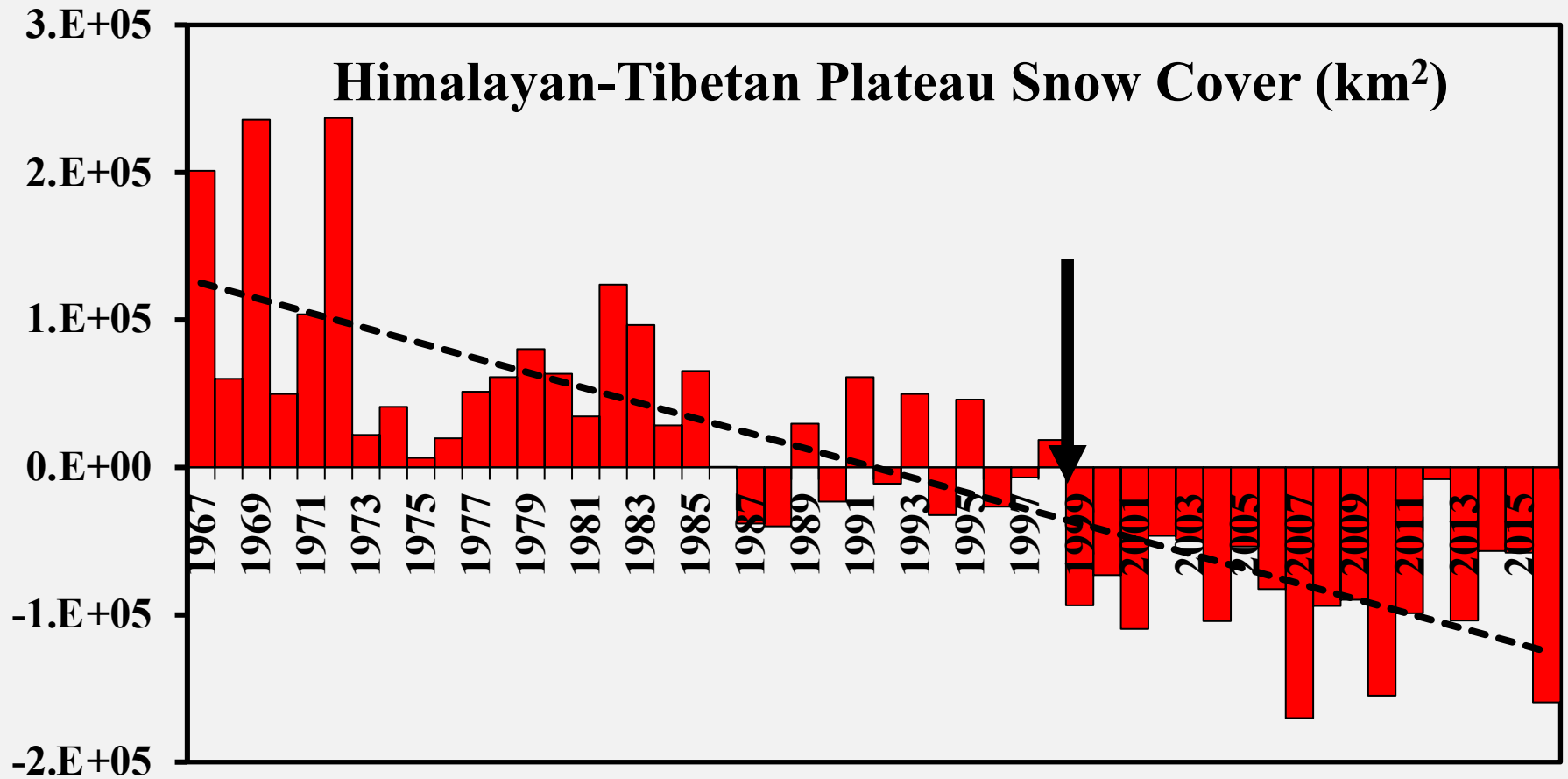
Trends in area averaged (Arabian Sea) Chlorophyll *a* during winter

Green Noctiluca scintillans
(MIXOTROPH)





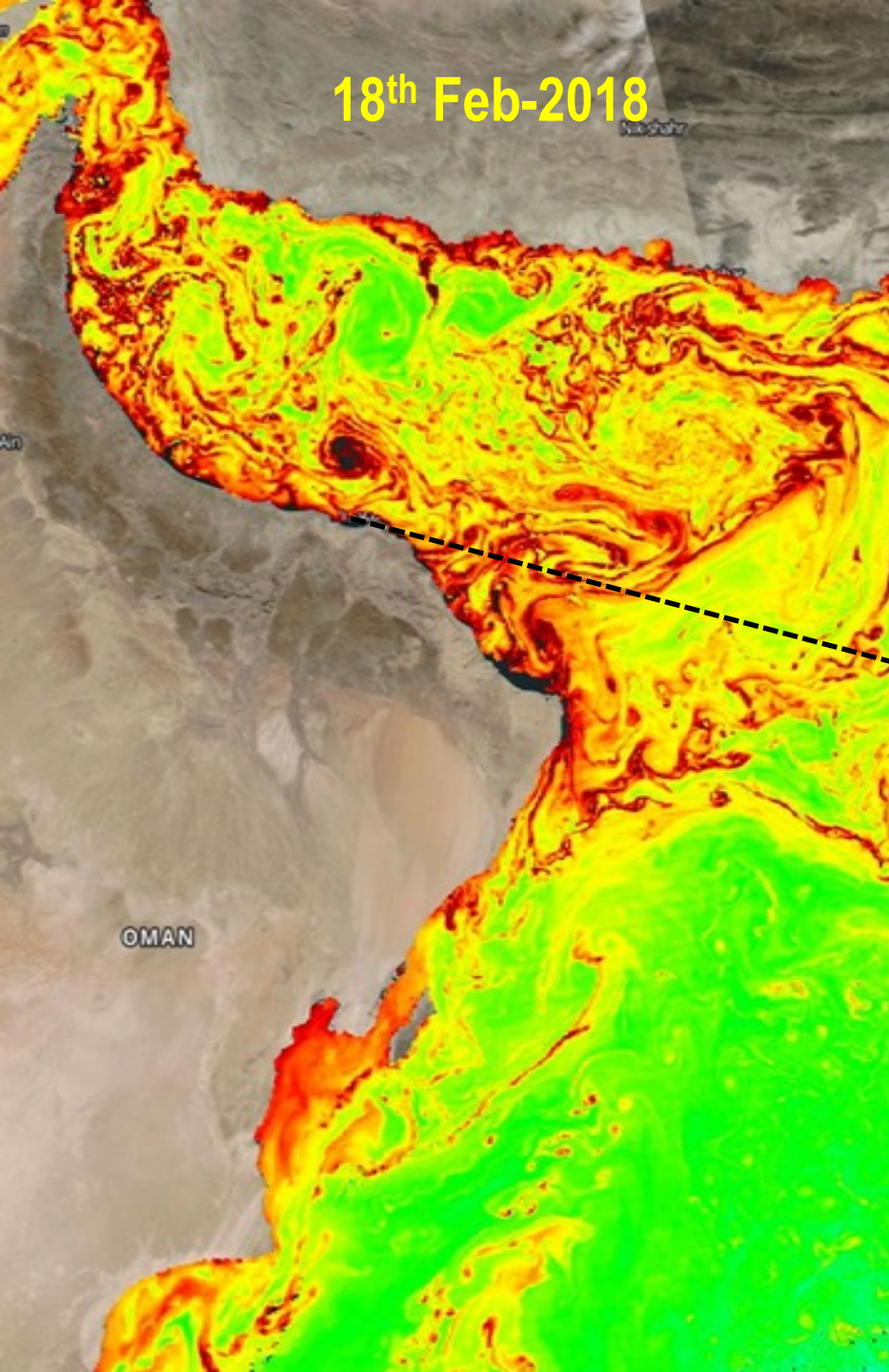
Annual trends of air temperature over the Eurasian Continent

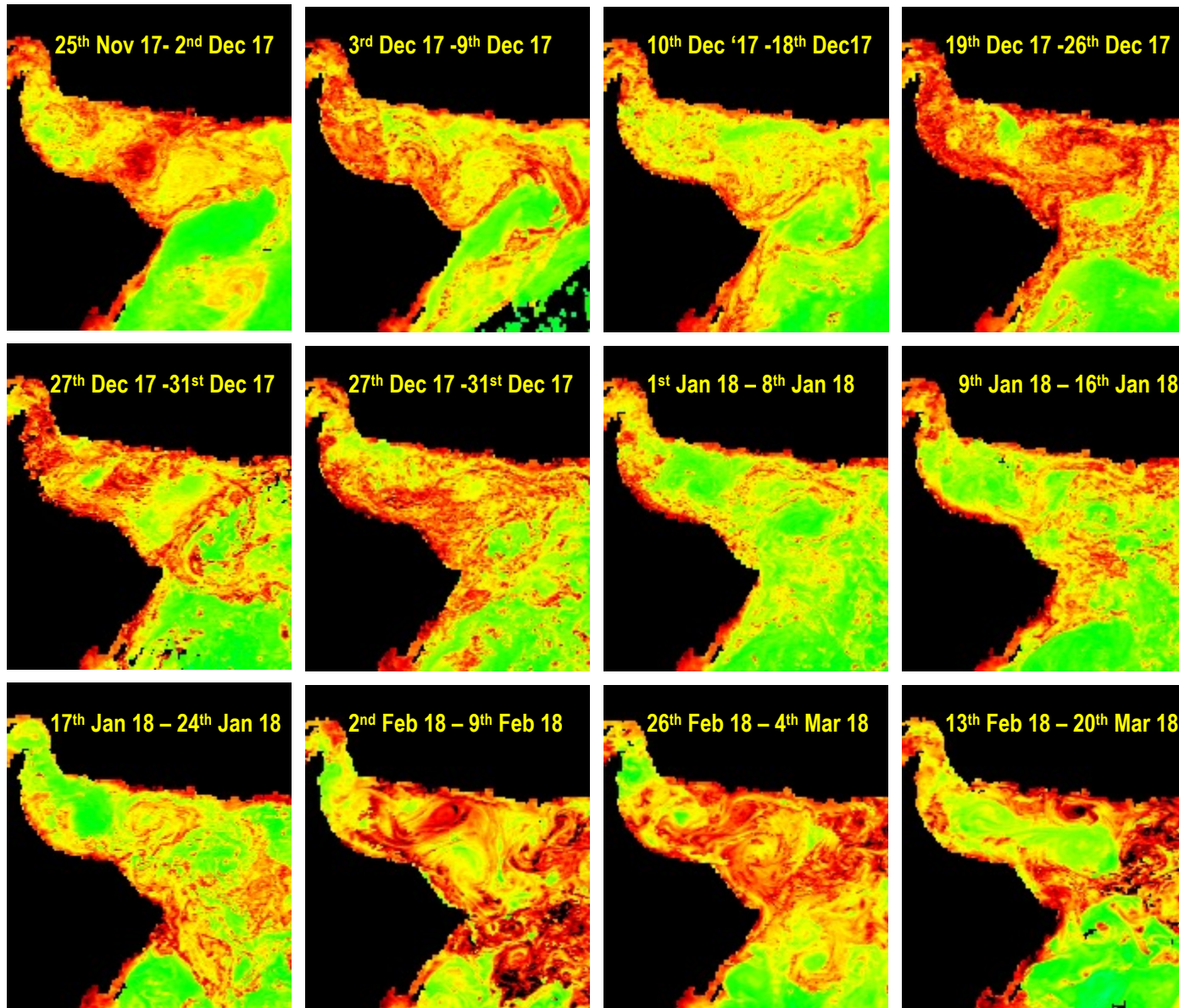


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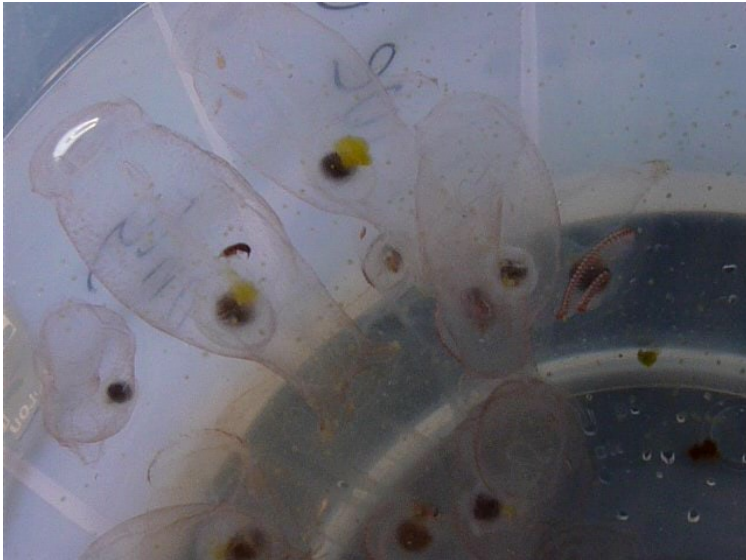
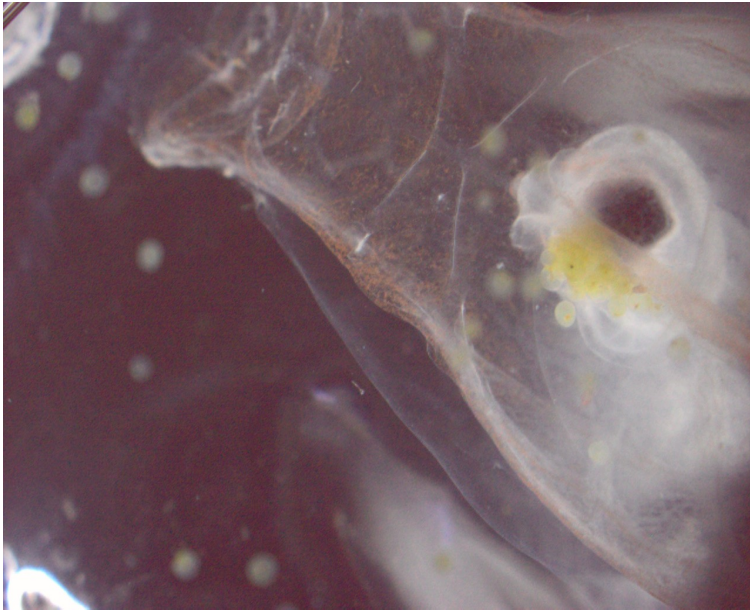
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Green *NOCTILUCA* blooms
Muscat. Oman





Role of meso- and microscale eddies in the evolution of Chl-*a* in the Sea of Oman



Salps - the largest consumer of *Noctiluca*

MODIS-Aqua
12th May 2019

Musandam, 2019



Salalah, Feb 2019





Jellyfish blooms at sea and along the shore in seawater intake

Royal Oman Navy



Fish-farm- Quaryat



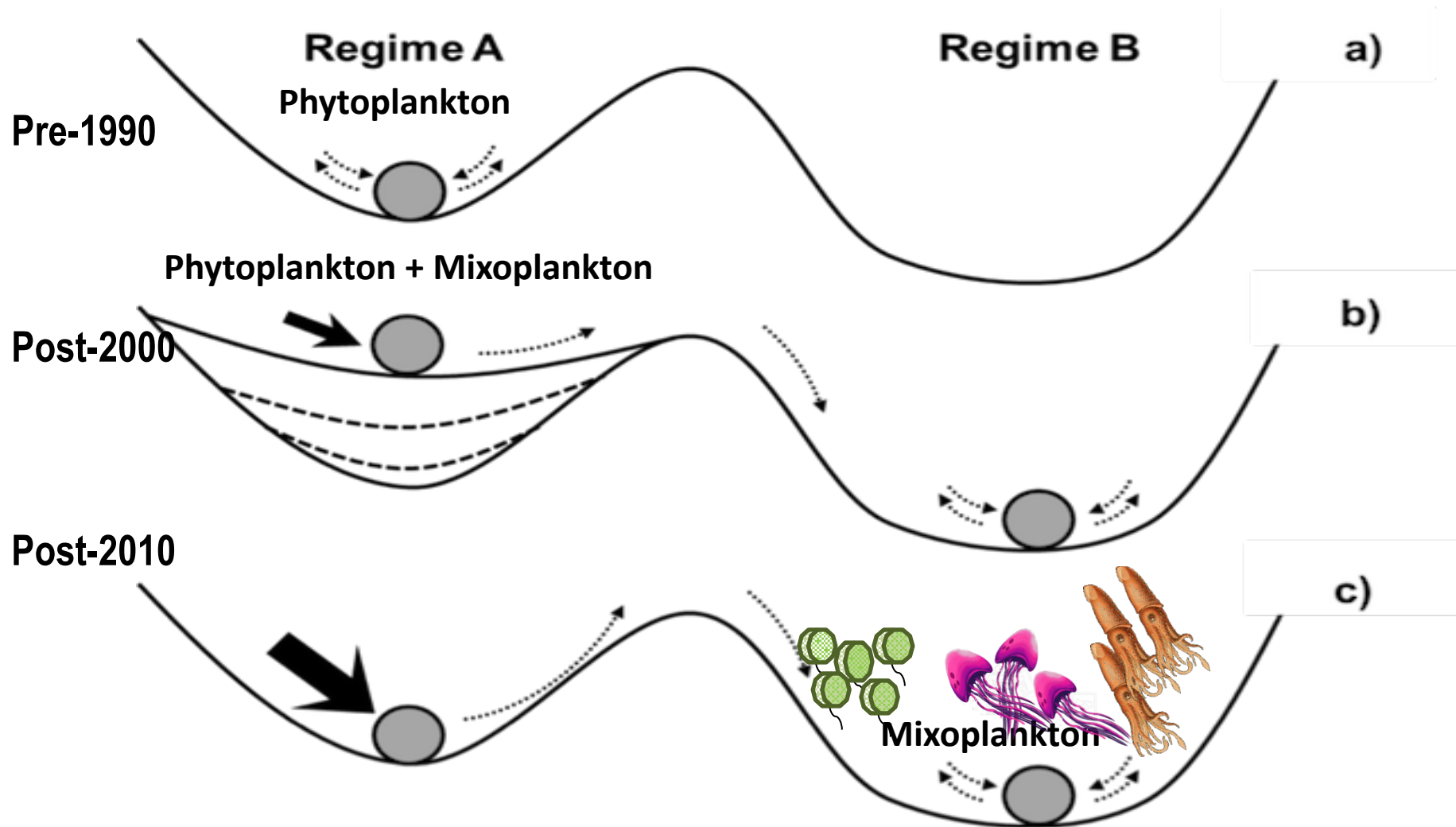
Refinery- Sohar



Desalination plant - Sohar



STAKEHOLDERS IN OMAN

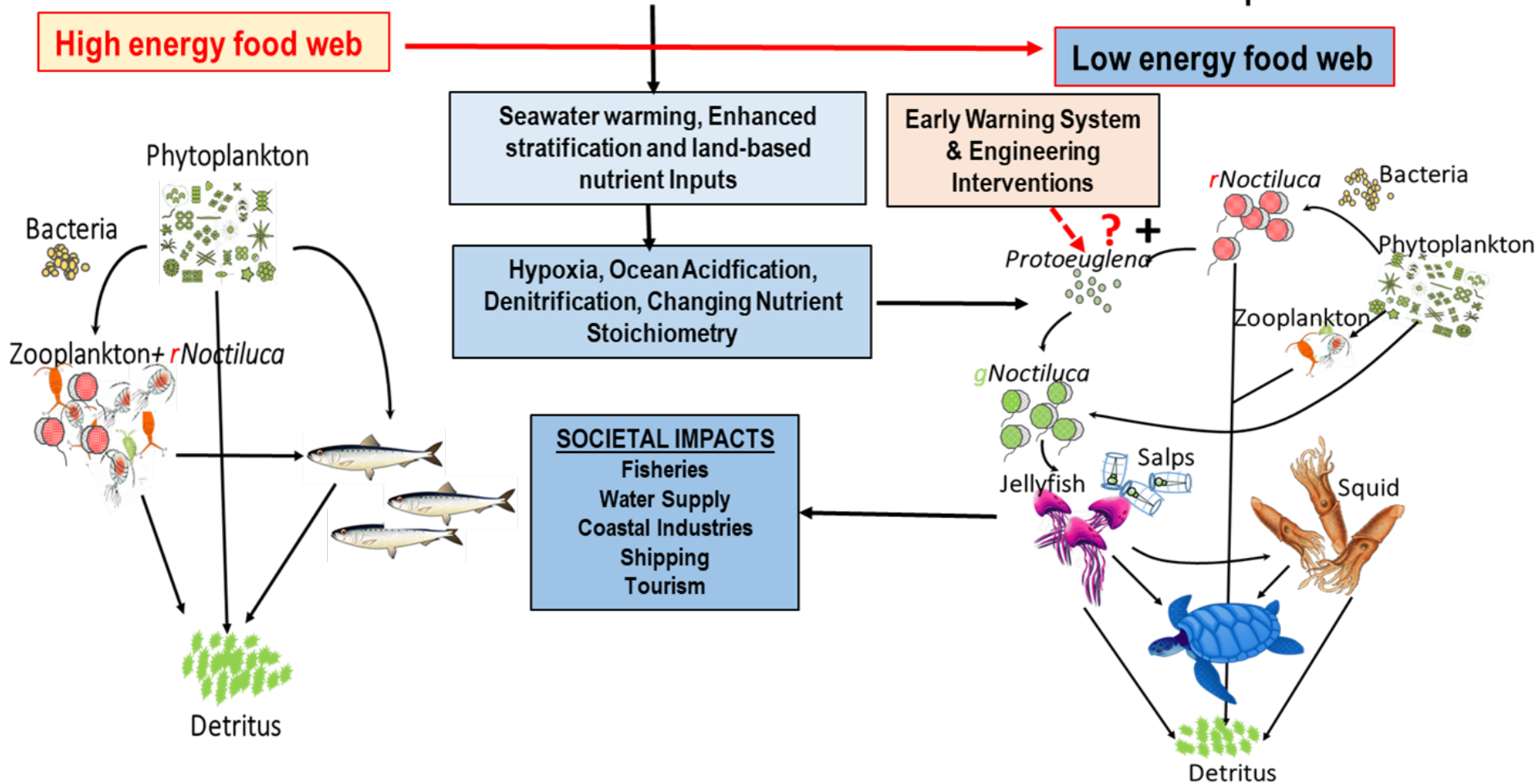


Mechanisms driving regime shifts depicted using “stability landscapes”
Northern Arabian Sea is past the tipping point

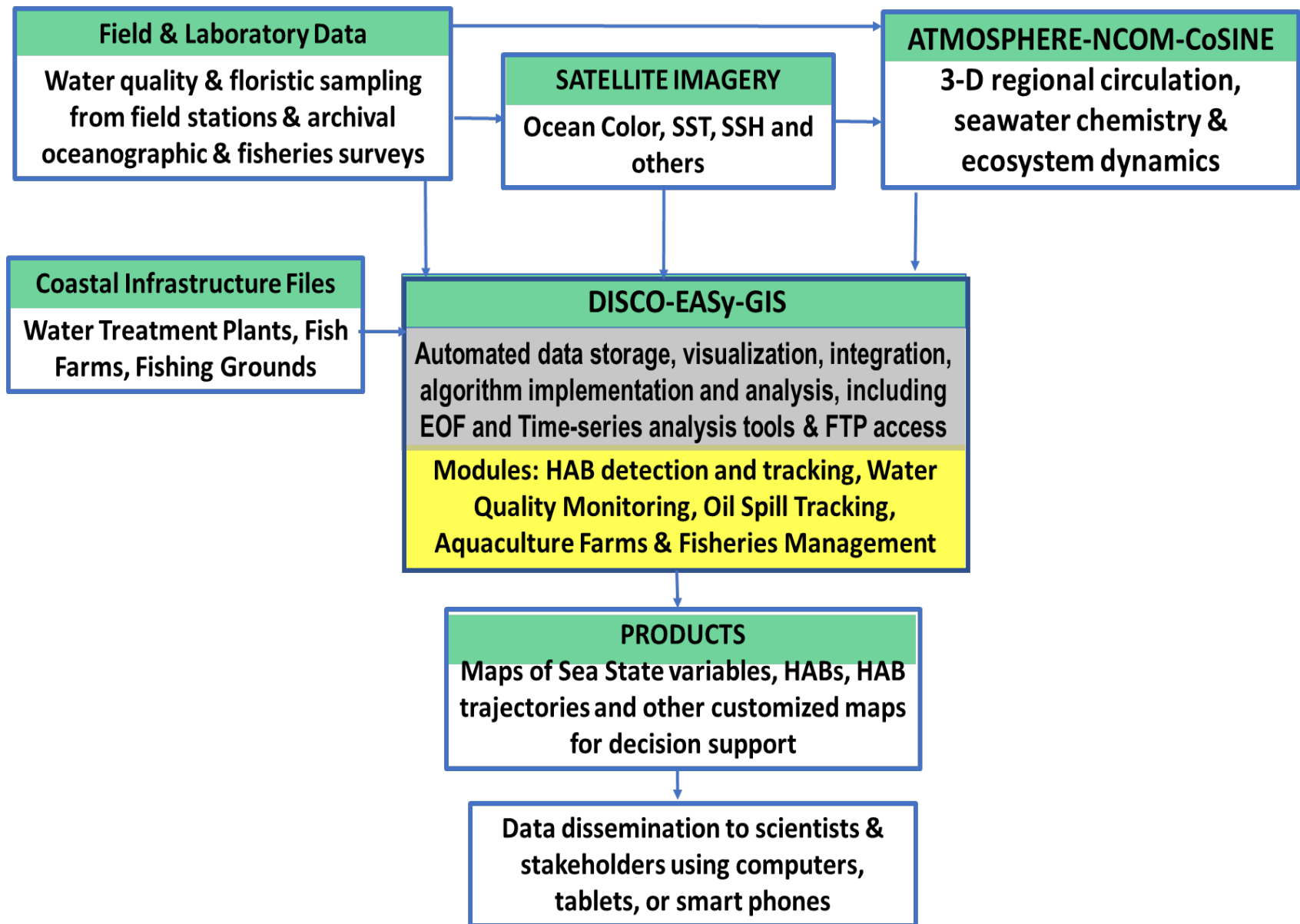
Normal Conditions → Climate and Human Activities → Warmer and Eutrophic conditions

High energy food web

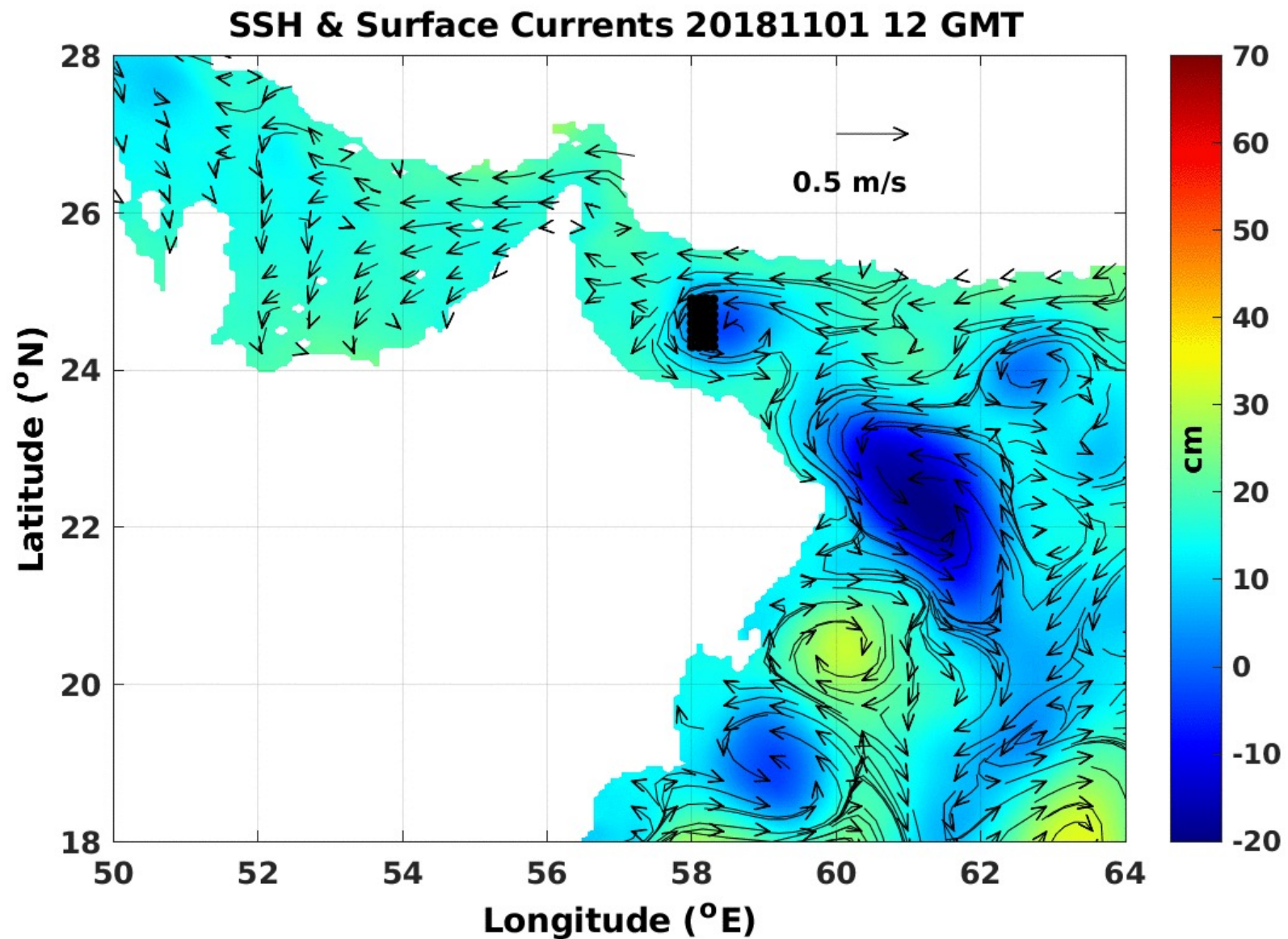
Low energy food web



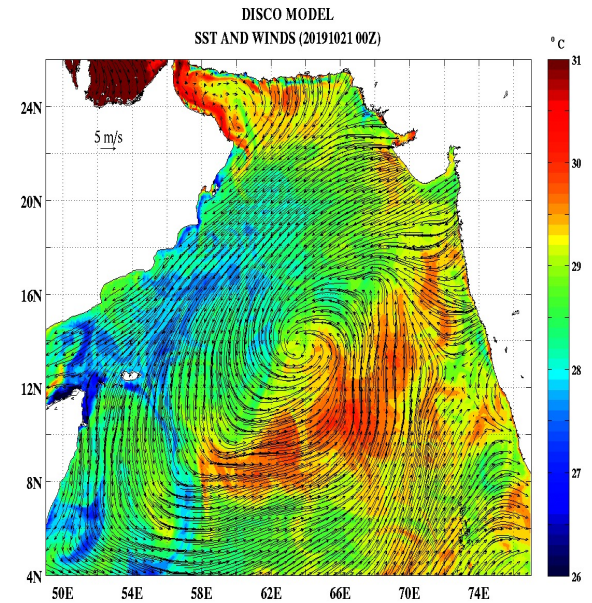
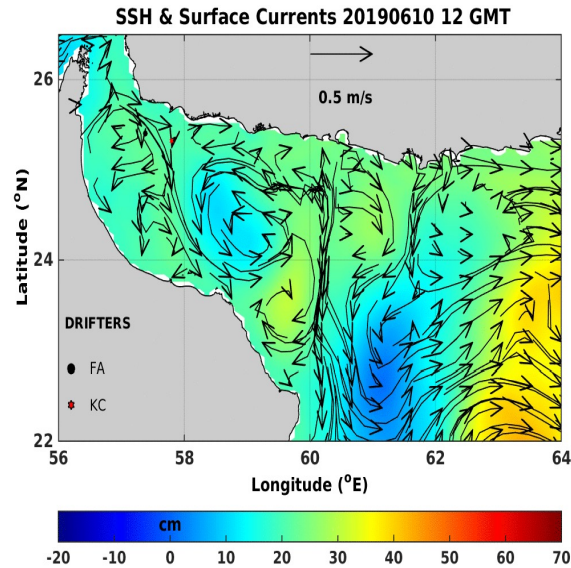
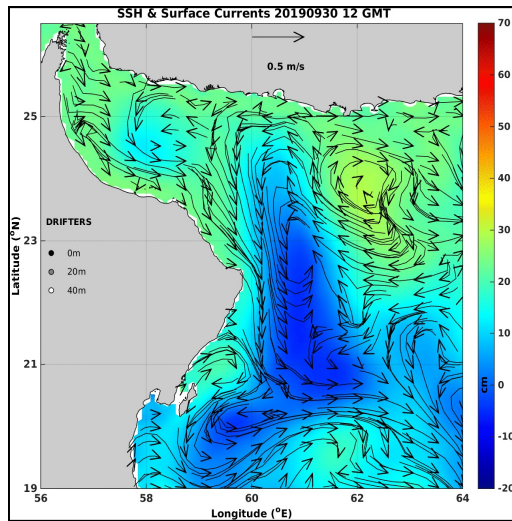
The changing food-web of the Arabian Sea due to green *Noctiluca* blooms



DISCO data flow and product dissemination to Stakeholders

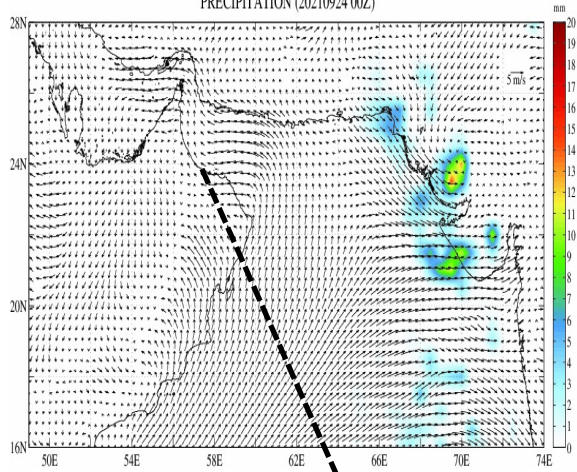


Particle tracking for monitoring bloom dispersal and evolution to be used as an early warning tool

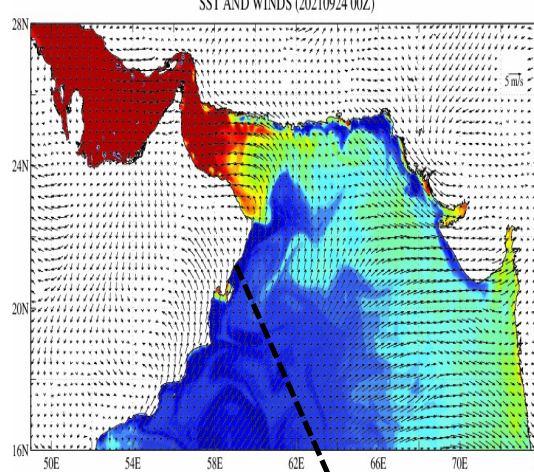


Recent events forecasted by the DISCO system. left) Massive sardine kill in the Bandar Al-Rouda Harbor on Oct 10, 2019, (middle) the fate of the tracked oil spill from the two bombed tankers (FA=Front Altair, KC=Kokuka Courageous) on June 13, 2019; right) the track (observed-pink, forecasted-blue), intensity (forecasted 10 meter winds), and ocean-response (simulated SST) of cyclone Kyarr in late October 2019, followed by cyclone Maha.

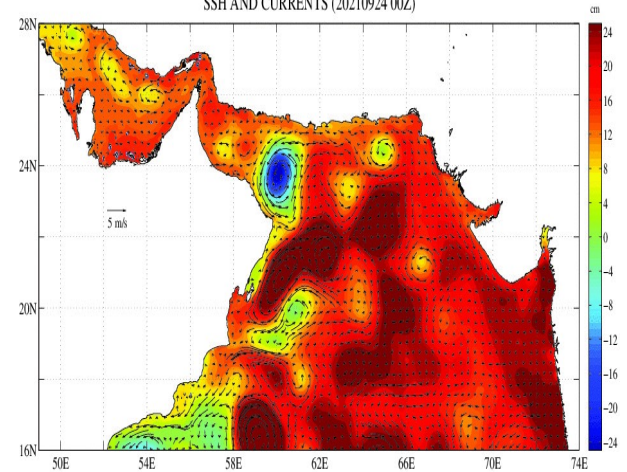
DISCO MODEL
PRECIPITATION (20210924 00Z)



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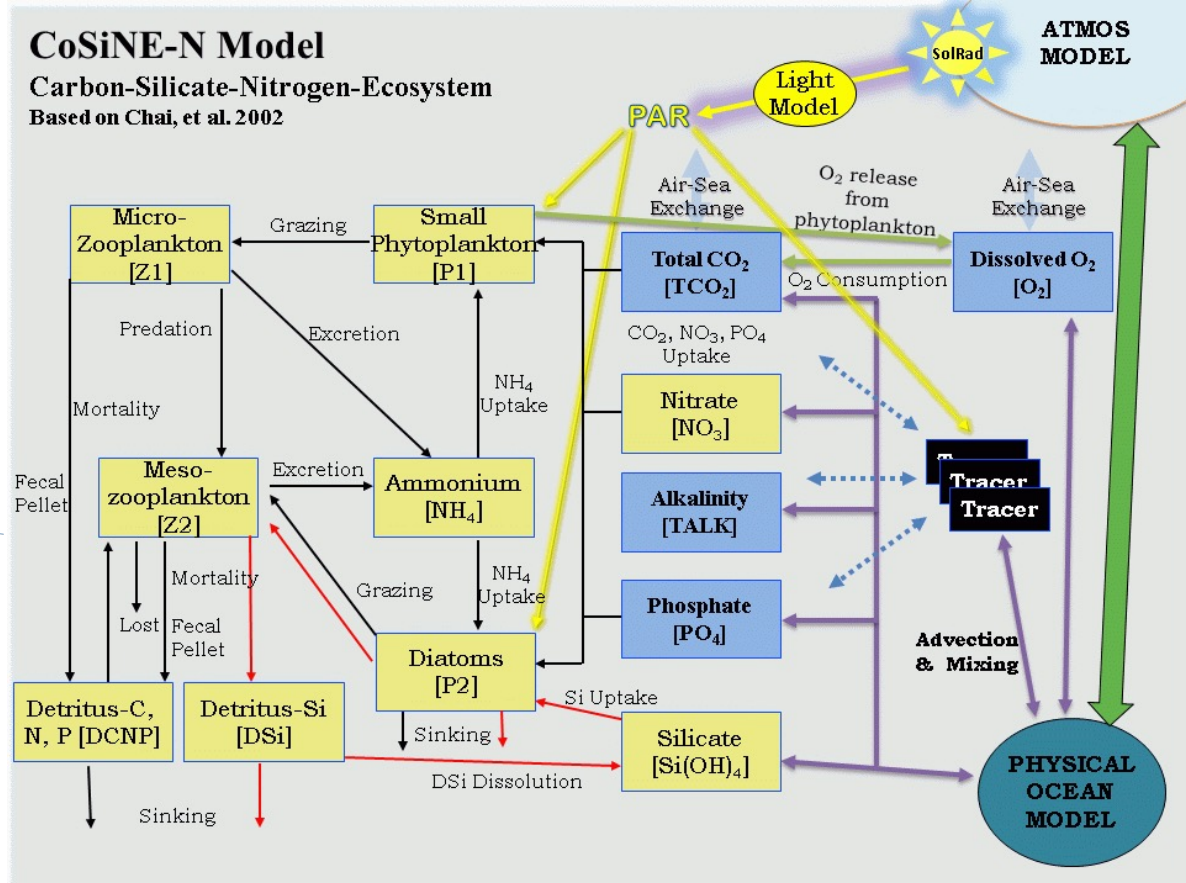
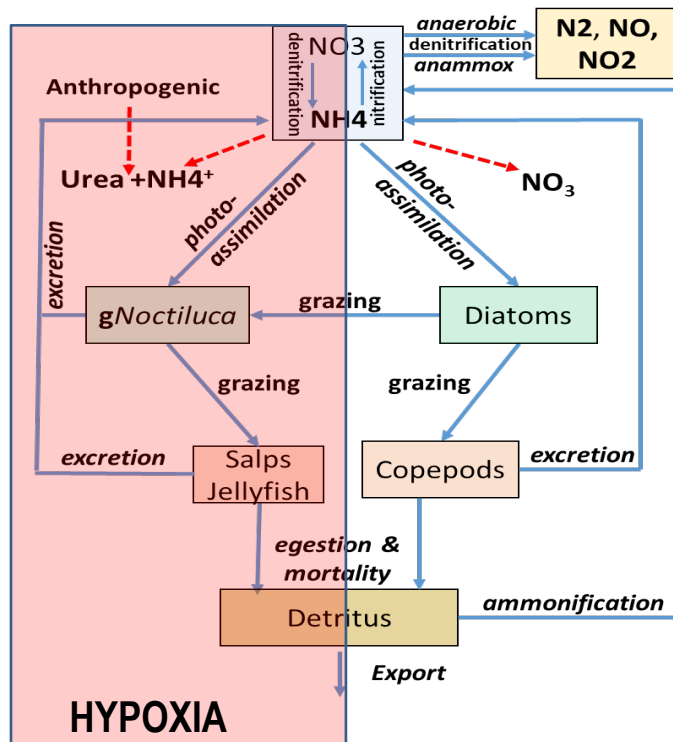
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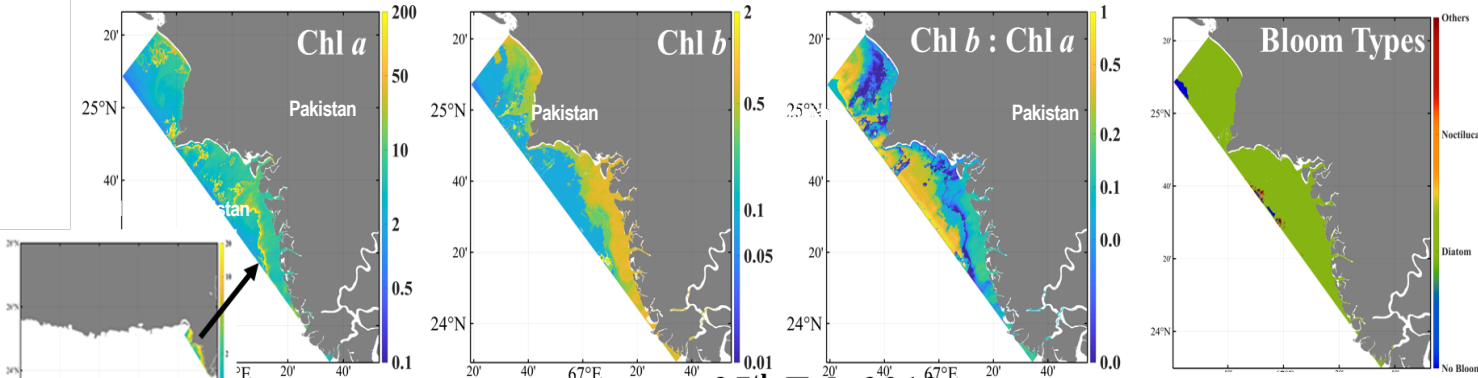
UPDATES TO NCOM-COSiNE MODEL

CoSiNE + Mixotrophy

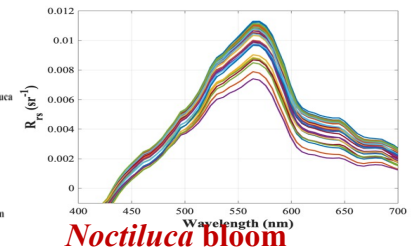


PIGMENT-BASED METHOD FOR DETECTING AND MONITORING OF GREEN *NOCTILUCA* BLOOMS (IN PREP. FOR PACE MISSION)

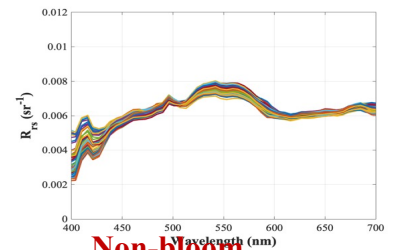
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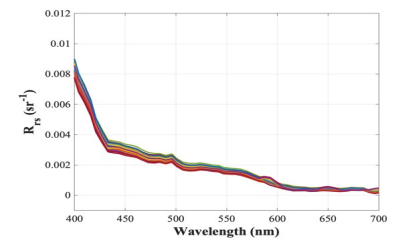
Diatom bloom



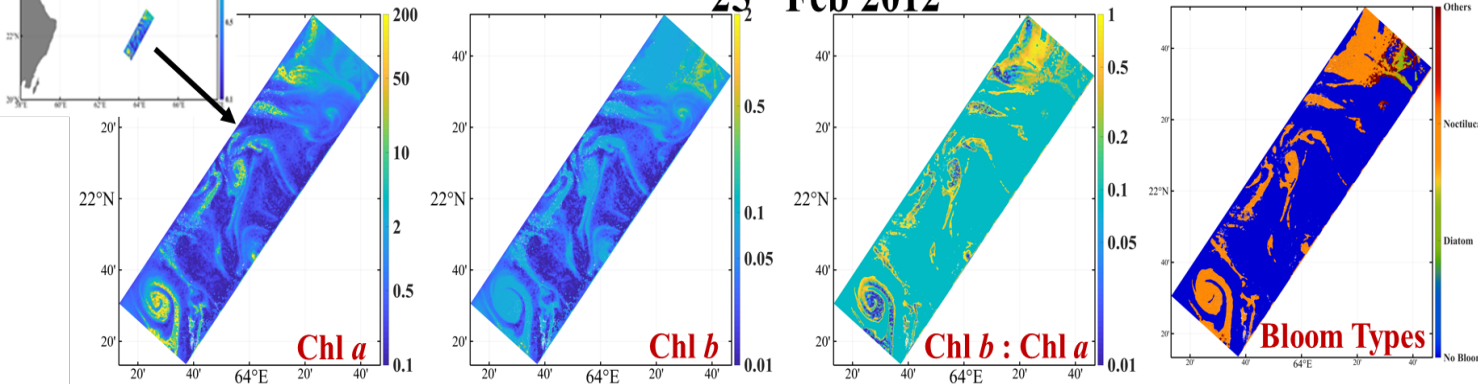
Noctiluca bloom

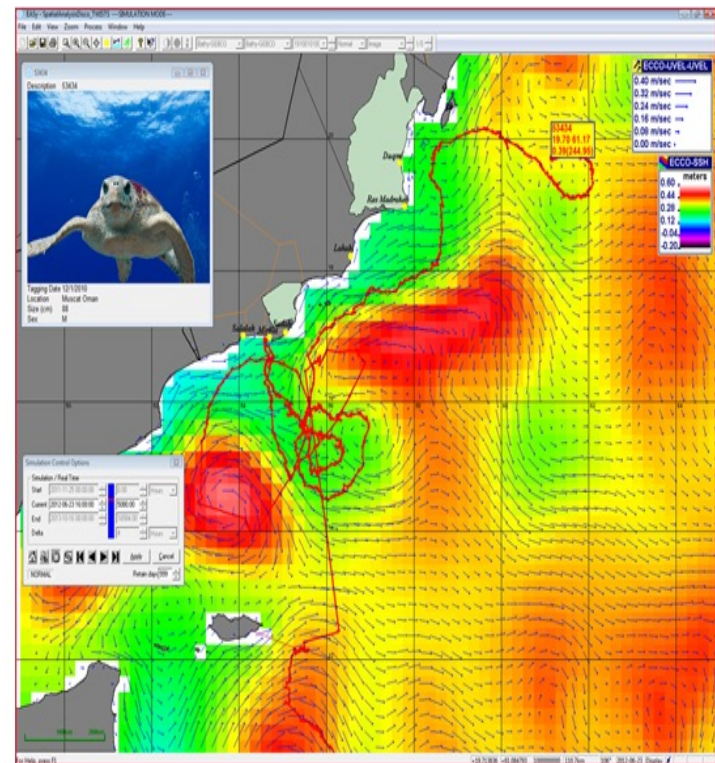
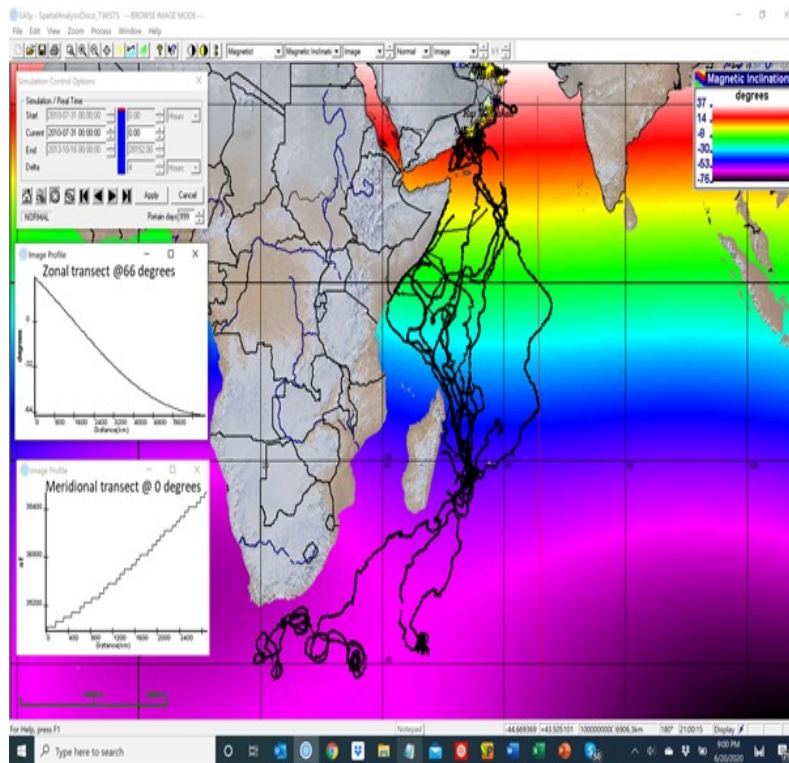


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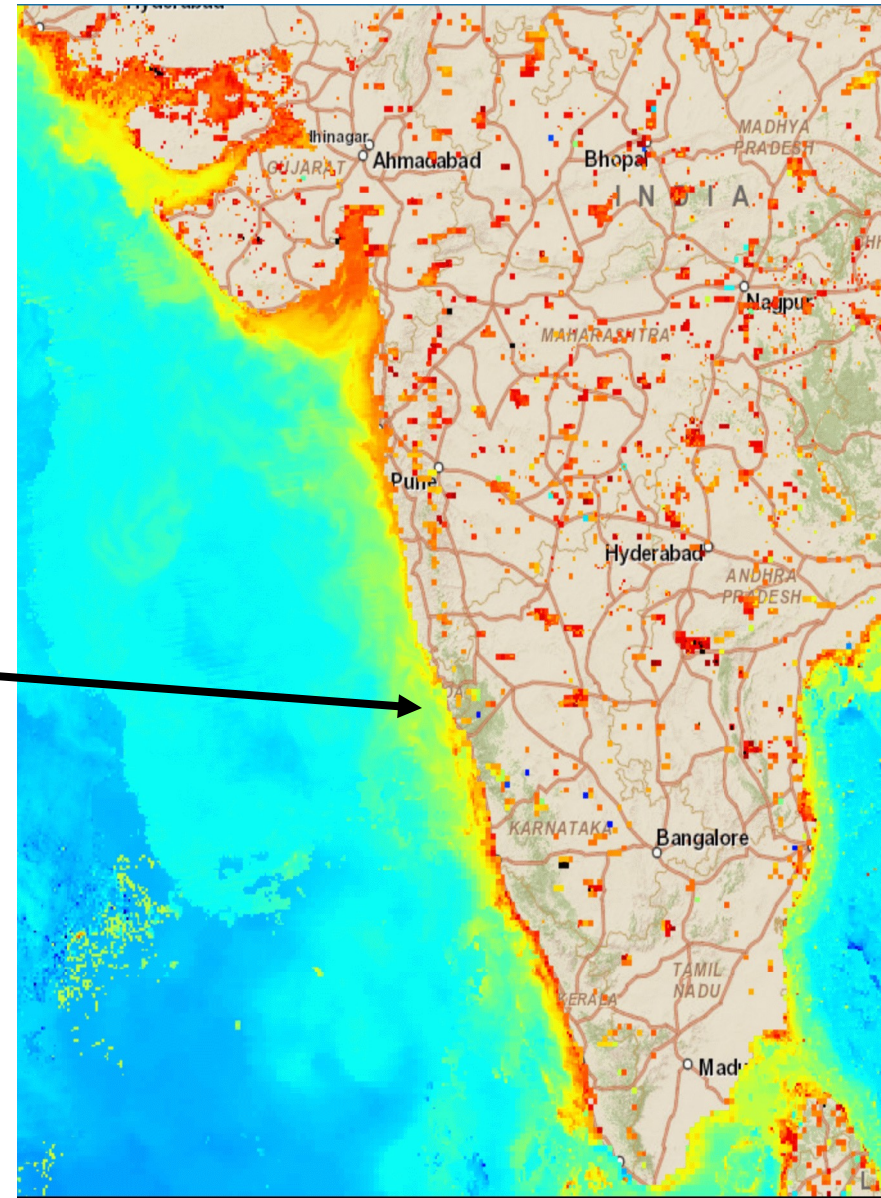
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APPLICATION OF DISCO FOR BIODIVERSITY AND CONSERVATION STUDIES

The panel on the left overlays all tracks on a base map of geomagnetic inclination. The panel on the right is a snapshot in the time series of tracks on June 17, 2012 overlaid on a base map of sea surface height and current velocity. The panels suggest that turtles move and navigate by sensing the earth's magnetic field and drift with currents.



***Noctiluca* blooms off the west coast of India and N-S progression along the coast – Nov 2020**